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USDA Rural Development Nevada Names Business & Cooperative Programs Director

(CARSON CITY, NEV.- June 25, 2020) USDA Rural Development Nevada State Director Philip Cowee today named Chandler Allen to lead the agency's Business & Cooperative Programs.

"I am very pleased to announce Chandler Allen has joined our team. Chandler is an experienced business finance professional who has worked at the local, state and federal level. He has a solid understanding of economic development and federal policy that will move our team forward."

Allen has a broad array of experience. He graduated first in his class from the UNR School of Business Finance while serving six years with the Reno Air National Guard. From there he moved to Washington, D.C, working 10 years with the Department of Interior, Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs in the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development. He led capacity development for tribal energy and business development as an economic development specialist. Most recently he returned home to Nevada to provide leadership as the Economic Development Director for the Fallon Tribal Development Corporation. Allen is a member of the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe.

The Rural Development Business & Cooperative Programs provide funding support for rural small businesses and agricultural producers. A few of the program financing products include the Business & Industry Guaranteed Loan, the Intermediary Relending Program, the Business and Industry Cares Act Guaranteed Loan, the Rural Energy for America Program Grant and Value-Added Producer Grant.

The agency is a mission area within the United States Department of Agriculture that runs programs intended to improve the economy and quality of life in rural America. With a loan portfolio over \$230 billion, the agency administers nearly \$16 billion in program loans, loan guarantees, and grants through their programs.

USDA Rural Development Nevada operates three offices: Carson City, Elko and Las Vegas.

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More information on USDA Rural Development programs in Nevada are online at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/nv>

USDA Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities and create jobs in rural areas. With a portfolio of \$230 billion, this agency's assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; homeownership; community services such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov/nv.

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